



**Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission
Executive Committee
Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family**

1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230, PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85007

A general meeting of the Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission (AJJC) Executive Committee was convened April 30, 2018, at the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family, 1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, notice having been duly given.

Members Present (4)	
Cindi Nannetti, Chair	James Molina
Helen Gándara	Christina Schopen
Staff/Guests Present (1)	Members Absent (0)
Steve Selover, Program Administrator	

Call to Order

- Ms. Cindi Nannetti, Chair, called the Executive meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. with four members and one staff present.

Welcome/Introductions

- Ms. Nannetti, Chair, welcomed everyone and asked all members to introduce themselves.

Approval of Minutes

- Ms. Nannetti, Chair, requested a review of the March 21, 2018 meeting minutes.
 - Ms. Christina Schopen motioned to accept the minutes as drafted.
 - Mr. James Molina seconded the motion.
- The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Planning Meeting Agenda

- Mr. Steve Selover referred to the planning meeting report completed by the guest facilitators from the Center for Coordinated Assistance to the States and asked members to share thoughts and feedback. Committee members generally agreed that the report captured the main themes of the meeting and that it provided insightful commentary relating to recommendations.
- Mr. Molina noted that the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Department of Child Safety (DCS) appear to be discussing an initiative that would provide placement options for juveniles who do not qualify for detention but do not have a custodian to be released to. In order to prevent an automatic referral to DCS, a placement outside of detention would be set up to house these children temporarily, providing more time for reunification. Mr. Selover concurred that ideas to address this are being discussed and added that a recently signed bill (SB 2259) will allow juvenile probation to use staff to operate these facilities.
- Mr. Selover asked the members to provide feedback on the priorities that emerged from the meeting, noting that trauma-informed justice was the priority that stood out as the most developed and feasibly transferable to the upcoming Title II solicitation funding opportunities. Ms. Gándara stated that while attending the International Association for Chiefs of Police (IACP), she noted a resounding interest pre-diversion

programs and the role of law enforcement in diverting children prior to arrest. In addition, the role of state advisory groups was identified to further the conversation in their home states and support programming and education. Ms. Gándara stated these efforts could be integrated into school safety practices, and school resource officers could play an important role in pre-diversion interventions.

- Committee members concurred rather than funding smaller programs, the Title II pass-through could be better served to fund agencies that can coordinate and communicate with the appropriate stakeholders to bring in the necessary training and support to schools and other settings where children congregate. Ms. Gándara noted that the statewide children's justice coordinator position, previously funded by the commission, would be a good model for this initiative.
- Mr. Molina suggested the commission align efforts with the Arizona Council on Family Empowerment and Child Safety Prevention Subcommittee as they are also working on expanding trauma-informed practice into schools and may be interested in partnering and providing helpful feedback.

2018 Subcommittees

- Mr. Selover advised the committees suggested by the planning meeting facilitators. The establishment of the Children's Justice Committee emerged as a work group that would promote the trauma-informed justice efforts and oversee the Children's Justice Act activities. This committee would supersede the Child Welfare Committee.
- Members agreed that a new "Emerging Issues" committee was not necessary at this point and proposed instead the Executive Committee fulfil that role until a need for a separate committee arises.
- Mr. Molina advocated for continuing to work on developing the inter-agency council, to encourage systems collaboration and problem solving.
- Mr. Molina and Ms. Schopen agreed to serve as co-chairs of the Children's Justice Committee.
- The AJJC standing committee structure in 2018 will include the Executive Committee, Children's Justice Committee and the DMC Committee.

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- Mr. Selover requested feedback for the next commission meeting agenda.
- Ms. Nannetti recommended a review and solicitation of feedback of the planning meeting report.
- Ms. Schopen recommended a discussion on tangible outcomes brought up during planning meeting that the commission could start working on.
- Ms. Gándara suggested continuing the conversation of membership to determine membership needs for compliance and producing the best outcomes.
- Mr. Molina suggested a presentation by the AOC to discuss ideas for temporary placement for juveniles that lack an engaged parent.

Adjourn

- Ms. Nannetti, Chair called for adjournment at 2:14 p.m.
 - Ms. Schopen motioned to adjourn.
 - Ms. Gándara seconded the motion.
- Motioned passed with no dissenting votes.

Dated May 3, 2018
AJJC Executive Committee
Respectfully Submitted By:
Steve Selover
Program Administrator, GOYFF